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**The annual fireworks display is a popular finish to the daylong Canada Day events that will overtake Parliament Hill and other official sites in Ottawa tomorrow. For the full slate of Canada Day events scheduled to mark the 141st anniversary of Canadian Confederation tomorrow, please see inside.**

# Canada's big bash a go

## $105K fireworks show to cap off festivities for nation's 141st birthday

By **KIM MANNIX VERMETTE**
for Metro Ottawa

An estimated 300,000 people will flood downtown Ottawa tomorrow to celebrate Canada's 141st birthday, and the party's hosts say it will be one of the biggest and best celebrations yet.

"It will be a fantastic party because we have aimed to do what we do every year — get people together to share a sense of celebration and nationhood," says Kathryn Keyes of the National Capital Commission.

Results of a 2008 national survey on pride and identity revealed that 74 per cent of Canadians surveyed had visited Canada's Capital Region, and nearly three-quarters of those felt their visit here increased their sense of pride in being a Canadian. This year's activities are meant to build on that, with themes central to Canada's founding, such as the 400-year anniversary of the establishment of Quebec City.

**getting around**

» OC Transpo buses will be free after 10 p.m. on Canada Day to safely shuttle partygoers home.

More than 500 volunteers help pull off a schedule that involves live musical performances, activities and a giant pyrotechnics display at several official sites.

Ottawa's Amanda Rheaume, a singer who will be playing an afternoon and evening show at Major's Hill Park, said she's thrilled to be part of it

"I am so proud to be from Ottawa, and believe it or not I have never actually spent Canada Day downtown because I am usually playing a show somewhere else, so it will be especially exciting for me."

July 1 begins with a morning parade and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police's musical ride. There are dozens of music and arts performances throughout the day at Parliament Hill, Major's Hill Park and Jacques Cartier Park in Gatineau, including acts by Joel Plaskett Emergency, Paul Brandt and Blue Rodeo.

Capping it all will be the signature fireworks — a $105,000, 1,250-shell display launched from Nepean point.

"The fireworks are always such a popular and fun element of the event so we're excited to be doing it up big this year," says Keyes.

In addition to all the official sites' celebrations, many museums and galleries will have free or reduced admissions. And there are also a number of private sites offering more intimate celebrations of Canada Day.

» See Metro's list of Canada Day events on page 6, or by visiting *canadascapital.gc.ca online.*

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# ottawa

**Several schedule changes to city services are planned for Canada Day tomorrow, including the closure of city hall and all six client service centres, as well as the city's provincial offences court. There will be no curb-side garbage and recycling pickup.** SOURCE: CITY OF OTTAWA

# A family mourns

## Gatineau officer investigated after man shot to death

By **TIM WIECLAWSKI**
Metro Ottawa

Diane Leclair planned to celebrate her 32nd anniversary yesterday.

Instead she spent the day with grieving relatives, still reeling from shock at a weekend incident that left her younger brother, David Leclair, 35, dead by a Gatineau police officer's gun.

*« All we know is that this should not have happened. There was no need for it, not at all. »*
*Diane Leclair, victim's sister*

"All we know is that this should not have happened. There was no need for it, not at all," she said.

On Saturday morning, David Leclair returned from a morning roofing job. Then, according to family members, a Gatineau Police officer arrived and informed Leclair that he was charged with assault.

Leclair told the officer he first had to go inside for a shirt. "He had knee pads still on, jogging pants and no shirt because he had been on a roof," Diane Leclair said.

The officer allegedly followed him inside, where a scuffle ensued. According to Leclair's mother, Dorothy, the officer struck Leclair with a baton and pepper-sprayed him. Leclair ran outside and the officer followed, drawing his gun and yelling for Leclair to get down. Leclair was leaning against his truck wiping his eyes.

Then according to Robert Pombert, who lives across the street, three shots rang out.

"I think (the officer) was in shock afterward. Like he just realized what he'd done," said Pombert. "He didn't move. He didn't help him. We had to call the ambulance."

TIM WIECLAWSKI/METRO OTTAWA

**Britney Leclair holds a portrait of herself as a baby with her father David Leclair, who was shot to death on the weekend by a Gatineau Police officer. She is consoled yesterday by her mother, Cindy Brisson, centre, her grandmother Dorothy Leclair, left, and her aunt, Diane Leclair, right.**

Yesterday, a stream of visitors stopped at 16 Conroy St., to offer condolences to Leclair's daughter, Britney, 9, and his mother, who lived in the house with him.

Diane Leclair said the family intends to take legal action against police.

The Sûreté du Québec is investigating. Sgt. Marc Butz said investigators have started interviewing witnesses, family members, paramedics and Gatineau Police officers.

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# Sun gets airshow off the ground

## But more support needed for aviation displays to go on

By **TIM WIECLAWSKI**
Metro Ottawa

TIM WIECLAWSKI/METRO OTTAWA

**The Snowbirds aerial demonstration team performs its grand finale at AirShow Ottawa yesterday.**

After rain grounded much of Saturday's performances, organizers of AirShow Ottawa are hoping that sunny skies yesterday kept the Ottawa air show aloft.

Grant Kirkpatrick, president of AirShow Ottawa, was unsure yesterday if the day's big crowds can make up for a poor showing on Saturday, when most planes were grounded by bad weather and about 1,500 people showed up. It will take a complete tally of gate receipts, advance tickets and other vendor revenues before that call is made, but yesterday's larger gate encouraged him.

*« The crowds are great, everyone is schlepping though this bog. Once again the people of Ottawa came though. »*
*Grant Kirkpatrick, AirShow Ottawa president*

"The crowds are great, everyone is schlepping though this bog. Once again the people of Ottawa came though," said Kirkpatrick.

The Canadian Forces Snowbirds demonstration team and other military aircraft were the stars yesterday.

"The Snowbirds are always good. They're worth the price of admission and the CF-18 was good to watch too. Very noisy," said Dan Boulet, who took in the show at Carp Airport yesterday to watch the Snowbirds fly in formation.

But if the show is to go on for local aviation enthusiasts, Kirkpatrick said corporate sponsorships and more city co-operation is needed.

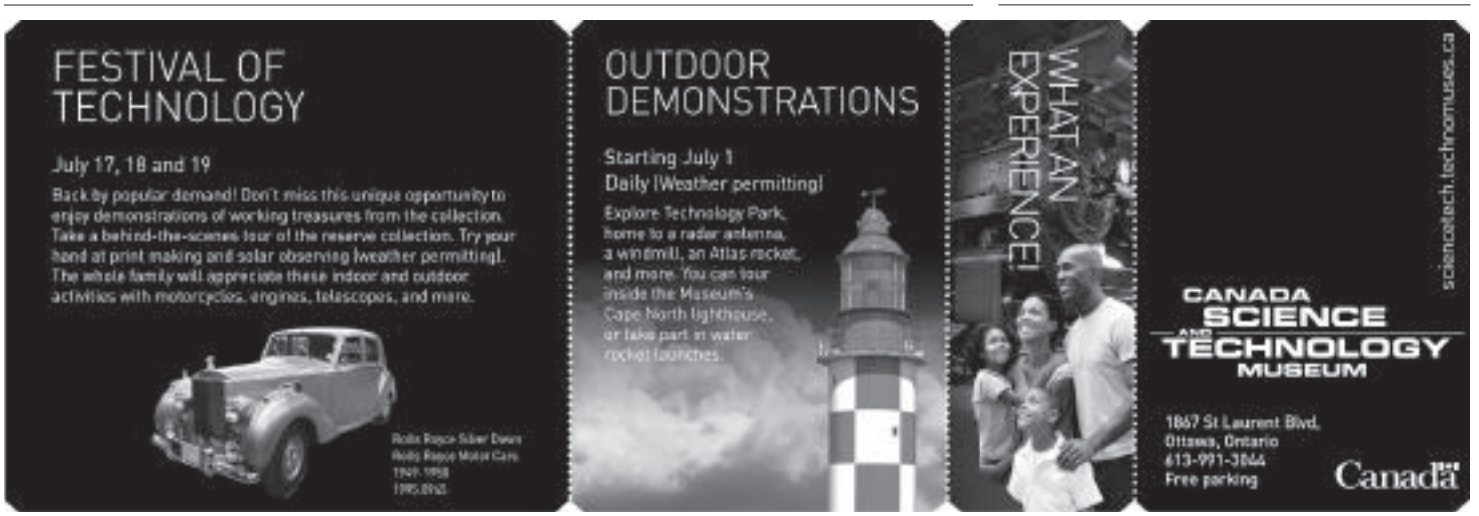
"People are here and they are in ankle-deep mud and water," he said. "What it says to me is that people want this show here."

U.S. air force Capt. Ben Canetti, who flew a C-130 Hercules transport here from Niagara Falls, N.Y., said Ottawa is one of the better air shows.

"The directors put on a really good show and they really look after the crews," he said.

## »news In Brief

» **COLLISION** Police expect today to identify the two women who died in a head-on collision along Highway 7. The collision occurred at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, when a grey 2008 Chevrolet Impala apparently drifted into the westbound lane and collided with a green 1998 Dodge Neon, leaving the 37-year-old female driver of the Neon dead at the scene. The driver of the Impala, age 59, died after being airlifted to Ottawa Hospital's Civic campus. A man who was also in the Impala has been identified as the driver's husband and taken to hospital, where he remains in serious but stable condition. Alcohol is not a factor and seatbelts were worn. The names are being withheld until families have been notified, though police said the driver of the Neon was from Carleton Place while the occupants on the Impala were a couple from the Maritimes. OPP have not determined why the Impala drifted across the lane. METRO OTTAWA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# Mayor on right track with this one

I was saved from setting my hair on fire thanks to Mayor Larry O'Brien.

The near inferno was prompted by a news report that Ottawa city councillors had voted against the idea of an independent transit commission.

The Oliver Wyman consulting firm had presented its report recommending "the creation of an independent commission to help improve OC Transpo's service and accountability" and city councillors were eloquently, vociferously opposed. The Wyman report was labelled superficial and its recommendation to establish an independent commission was dismissed as pointless and illogical. It's a pity the $120,000 report didn't come with a money-back guarantee if council didn't agree with its findings.

I won't say who said what because that's all water under the bridge now. All is forgiven thanks to Larry.

The mayor had this to say on his blog: "Now that we have a great technical framework for transit, it is time to bring in the good leadership to move this forward quickly and effectively. I believe a commission is important for the City of Ottawa."

He announced city staffers would produce a white paper for the fall that will examine the different options for a transit commission and help council come to a decision for or against.

To the councillors who were bothered by the $120,000 price tag to look into something they "were not keen on," they should realize that little report generated more information and elicited more dialogue from the end users and stakeholders in Ottawa's public transit system than all the open houses put together.

The establishment of a separate transit commission doesn't take anything away from the hard-working OC Transpo or council or the transit and transportation committee. An independent commission doesn't mean elected council will no longer have a say in Ottawa's transit. Vancouver's commission, TransLink, is required to seek input from the city on its transportation plan and its borrowing limit increases.

Ottawa is too big with too much on the transit table in terms of planning, economic challenges and growth to say no to a dedicated transit commission.

Mercifully, the mayor has already made his preference clear. "It's now time to get transit governance right."

Congratulations Mayor O'Brien on your weekend nuptials, and thanks for saving my hair.

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*« Ottawa is too big with too much on the transit table in terms of planning, economic challenges and growth to say no to a dedicated transit commission. »*

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## Man killed in high-speed crash

A two-vehicle, high-speed collision at Victoria Street and Cartwright Road in Metcalfe left one man dead on the weekend.

The elderly driver of a car that collided with an SUV was pronounced dead at the scene by city paramedics after the crash at 11:05 a.m. Saturday.

The driver of the SUV, a man in his 20s, was treated on scene and taken to Ottawa hospital with facial injuries.

A passenger of the SUV was also treated for abdominal and back pain.

The crash resulted in the following road closures as police investigated: Victoria Street at York's Corners Road, Cartwright Road at Boundary Road, and Boundary at Victoria.

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## »news In Brief

» **GUNS** A 45-year-old Ottawa man has been charged with six offences in connection with a cache of weapons allegedly found in his house on the weekend. Searching a west-end apartment on a warrant, the Ottawa Police Guns and Gangs Unit discovered two imitation handguns, several rounds of ammunition, canisters of pepper spray, a bullet-proof vest and other weapons. Christopher Schneider, 45, was charged with one count of careless storage of ammunition and five counts of possession of prohibited weapons. He will reappear in court later next month.

» **CRASH** An Ottawa woman escaped with minor injuries from a single vehicle rollover into a ditch near the intersection of Albion Road and Leitrim Road yesterday afternoon. Firefighters were called to extricate the woman who was trapped in the car when it rolled upside down into the ditch. Traffic was diverted around the scene until around 3 p.m. until she was pulled from the car. Police believe alcohol may have been a factor.

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# a capital weekend

A collection of images reflecting the weekend that was in Ottawa-Gatineau.

Besides hosting a wedding of public interest, Ottawa also got prepared on the weekend to host a landmark birthday: the 141st anniversary of Canadian Confederation.

**LEFT:** Mayor Larry O'Brien and his wife Colleen wave to guests as they emerge from Blessed Sacrament Church in the Glebe on Saturday afternoon, following their wedding. The newlyweds hosted a reception afterwards at Jean Pigott Hall in city hall. The mayor's wedding was a hot ticket in town on the weekend, drawing crowds of media and spectators to the couple's ceremony.

**BELOW:** Percussionist and bandleader Mario Grillo, a.k.a Machito Jr., is portrayed on the big screen in Confederation Park Saturday night while performing centre stage with the Big 3 Palladium Orchestra during the closing weekend of the Ottawa International Jazz Festival. The festival continues into Canada Day with events and activities.

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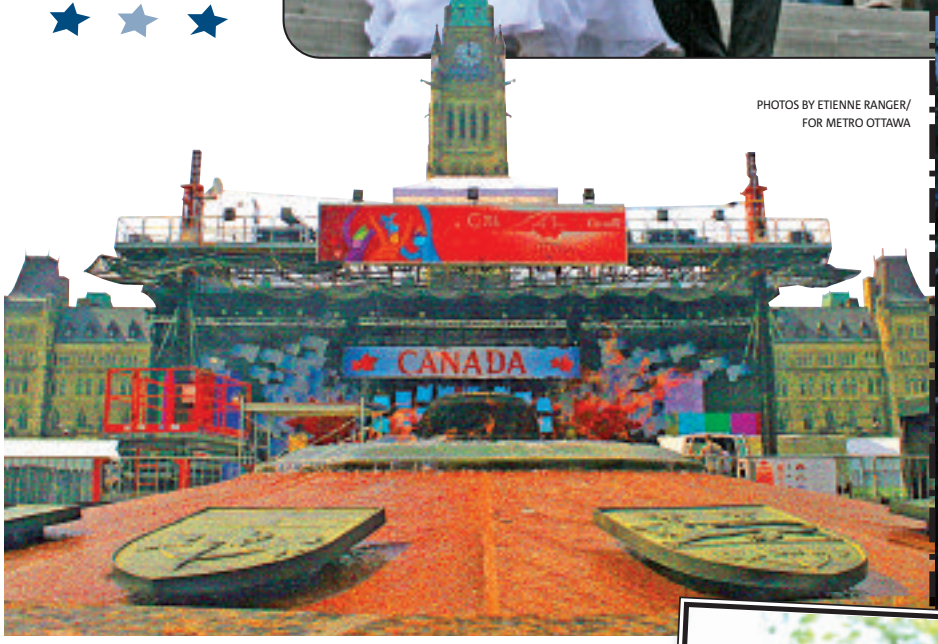

**ABOVE:** The main stage at Parliament Hill received its finishing touches on the weekend and Canada's largest outdoor party is now set to hit the streets of the Nation's Capital tomorrow, with a full day of live musical performances, activities and fireworks to mark the 141st anniversary of Confederation on Canada Day, July 1.

**LEFT:** Summertime music in Ottawa is not restricted to the city's many festival sites. Around the city — including this band that jazzed up the courtyard at the Metropolitan restaurant on the weekend — the musical ear need not travel far for its fix.

**RIGHT:** At pre-Canada Day festivities held at Andrew Hayden Park yesterday, Lina Hanifi-Moghaddam, 2, of Orleans enjoys feeding the animals at the petting zoo.

# CANADA DAY

**OC TRANSPO** is offering free bus rides home from the Canada Day fireworks after 10 p.m. Regular fares will apply until 10 p.m. and children age five and younger ride free all day.

SOURCE: OC Transpo

*Editor's note: For readers planning their July 1 itinerary, Metro is pleased to offer this schedule of Canada Day events at official and partner sites.*

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**Canada Day festivities in Ottawa have something for everyone, with a special emphasis on activities for families to enjoy together at the official celebration sites.**

## Parliament Hill

***The focal point for many Canadians on July 1st is Parliament Hill, with its pomp and pageantry. Celebrations begin at 9 a.m.***

• **9 a.m.:** Historical military parade through the heart of the capital to the Hill, paying tribute to the 400th anniversary of Québec and the 250th anniversary of parliamentary democracy in Nova Scotia.

• **9:30 a.m.:** Traditional flag-raising ceremony

• **10 a.m.:** Military drill and music of the Changing the Guard ceremony.

• **10:30 a.m:** RCMP Musical Ride performance

### Canada Day Noon Show

• This year's show begins with a fly-past of CF-18s and the Snowbirds, followed by performances from: 2008 JUNO Award winners Blue Rodeo (Ont.) and Paul Brandt (Alb.); 2008 JUNO Award nominees Joel Plaskett Emergency (N.S), Pascale Picard Band (Que.) and Suzie McNeil (Ont.); folk rock signer Kevin Parent (Que.); rock performer Diane Dufresne (Que.); dynamic multicultural percussion troupe DRUM! (N.S.); contemporary Aboriginal performers Florent Vollant (Que.), Gilles C. Sioui (Que.) and Nathalie Picard (Que.); as well as Les Deux Rives choir (Ont./Que.).

• **2 p.m. to 5 p.m.:** Les Fêtes de la Nouvelle-France, a popular Québec festival in celebration of the 400th anniversary of Québec City, and enjoy giant puppets, dancing, music and street performers.

### Canada Day Evening Show

• **6:30 p.m.:** Pre-show: music of DJ Rise Ashen, and a poetry reading by 2008 JUNO Award nominee Shad (Ont.) and Imposs (Que.).

• **7:30 p.m.:** This year's evening show will pay tribute to important milestones in the history of Canada and will feature: Blue Rodeo (Ont.), Paul Brandt (Alb.) and Serena Ryder (Ont.); Pascale Picard Band (Que.), Oliver Jones Trio (Que.), Joel Plaskett Emergency (N.S.) and Damien Robitaille (Que.); as well as Danny Boudreau (N. B.), Diane Dufresne (Que.), Kevin Parent (Que.), Ron Hynes (N.L.), Tiller's Folly (B.C.), Dr. Draw (Que.), and DRUM! (N.S.).

• **10:05 p.m.:** The annual fireworks display tops off the festivities immediately following the evening show on Parliament Hill. Visitors can expect special features this year, in celebration of some of Canada's historical milestones. The best views of the fireworks are from Jacques-Cartier Park, Major's Hill Park and along the Ottawa River.

## Major's Hill Park

***Major's Hill Park will host an exciting all day line-up of shows, workshops, and participatory activities highlighting Canadian folk and popular arts.***

• **10 a.m. to 5 p.m.:** Folk performance by Stephanie Hardy; the Maple Leaf Song Circle featuring Garnet Rogers (Ont.), Murray McLauchlan (B.C.), Ron Hynes (N.L.), Amanda Rheaume (Ont.) and Gilles C. Sioui (Que.); Citizenship Reaffirmation Ceremony, presided over by citizenship judge Suzanne Pinel, C.M. (former children's performer Marie-Soleil).

• **Avenue of the 2008 Cultural Capitals of Canada.** Discover Canadian cultural heritage through pottery and dream art expression artists and interactive new media from Surrey, British Columbia; encounters with an Aboriginal wood carver, a coal miner storyteller and a visual artist from Nanaimo, British Columbia; sculpting and quilting from Morden, Manitoba; as well as painting and hockey stick making from Sackville, New Brunswick.

### Other Daytime Activities

• Cooking demonstrations and chicken sandwiches at the **16th Annual Great Canadian Chicken BBQ;** VIA Rail tent and presentations at the EnviroExpo kiosk; President's Choice "Real Canadian Anthem Search" Pavilion to participate in the search for the Canadian Anthem Idol.

• **Aboriginal Village,** features activities showcasing the Iroquois culture and way of life, and traditions with Aboriginal artists.

**Brazilian Capoeira,** breakdance circles to live DJ music, and special breakdance showcases from some of the top crews in Canada.

### Evening Show – A Contemporary Folk Evening

• **6 p.m. to 10 p.m.:** Hawksley Workman (Ont.), Amanda Rheaume (Ont.), Mauvais Sort (Que.), Stephanie Hardy (N.S), Garnet Rogers (Ont.), Murray McLauchlan (B.C.), and Hayley Sales (B.C.).

## Jacques-Cartier Park

• **Hbc Run for Canada:** 10 kilometre run; 3-km family walk or 1-km kids' run. The 10-km run will take participants behind Parliament Hill and along the Ottawa River, and to the finish line at Jacques-Cartier Park.

• **10 a.m. to 5 p.m.:** Events: rope skipping by Essex Energizers (Ont.); acrobatic duo Jeff & Dorothée (Que.); dance performances by Duniya All Stars Co-Ed Bhangra Group (B.C.); Hip-hop dance performances by Culture Shock; freestyle BMX, in-line skating, skateboarding and trampoline demonstrations by extreme and nationally ranked athletes; Paralympic volleyball team meet-and-greet.

• **TELETOON 2008 Tour** features games and various competitions.

### Evening Show – Canadian Vibe

• 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.: Main stage: Sylvain Cossette (Que.), Eagle & Hawk (Man.), 2008 JUNO Award nominee Suzie McNeil (B.C.); Jordan Croucher (N.S.) and Swing (Capital Region).

## Partner Sites

### National Arts Centre Canada Day Party

• **10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.:** Joining the lineup of Pinchas Zukerman, the NAC Orchestra, the 400-member Unisong Choir and the Juno award-winning world beats of The Mighty Popo, will be popular children's entertainer Tante Caroline; a Kids Corner with puppeteers, a coloring postcard activity and ice cream, and rare behind the scenes visits at the historic NAC Theatre.

### • Ottawa International Jazz Festival

Free programming on Canada Day at Confederation Park. Daytime performances by 2008 JUNO Award winners Alex Cuba and Jayme Stone, as well as by Molly Johnson and Mansa Sissoko, among others. The Jazz Youth Summit performers take the stage in the afternoon.
For more information, www.ottawajazzfestival.com.

### • NCC's Capital Infocentre

The original van that was home to Terry Fox during his Marathon of Hope will be featured and visitors can meet members of the Fox family.

### • Museums and institutions:

All day long there will be activities for all ages at most of the Capital's national museums and institutions. Residents and visitors looking for a change of pace are also invited to celebrate Canada Day in the quiet atmosphere of Gatineau Park's Mackenzie King Estate or spend a relaxing day at the beaches at Meech, Philippe and La Pêche lakes, where parking will be free on July 1.

# canada

## Cities still waiting

Tories yet to deliver promised funds for infrastructure

**commitment from feds**

» The Federation of Canadian Municipalities can only account for one municipality in Canada actually having a project approved for funding under the program — a $20 million commitment for an arena complex in Regina.

In his 2007 budget, Finance Minister Jim Flaherty promised a windfall for Ontario towns and cities — $3.1-billion to help pay for highways, water projects and public transit.

Eighteen months later, municipalities have yet to see a dime.

The money, part of Ottawa's Building Canada Fund that earmarks $8.8 billion for infrastructure nationwide, has been tied up while the federal government negotiates the details with Queen's Park. Ontario cities aren't alone in waiting. Money from the Building Canada fund has yet to go to cities in Quebec, Alberta or Manitoba because Transport Minister Lawrence Cannon is still negotiating the required framework agreements with those provincial governments as well. Municipal officials say they've now lost two construction seasons because of the funding delays and some fear next season could be in jeopardy too unless the hurdles are soon cleared. That's causing mounting frustration, as the backlog of work grow and project costs rise.

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## Edmonton **Man-made controversy**

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New York is copying Edmonton, creating its own man-made waterfalls, which is fine by waterfall-creator Peter Lewis, but what riles him is they are claiming they did it first. The Big Apple will have four man-made waterfalls, one off the Brooklyn Bridge, the first the world has seen, according to New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg. Lewis designed an Edmonton waterfall, that was completed in 1980

## Canada Day means start of carbon tax for B.C.

Civic leader Scott Nelson says he is as worried as anyone about global warming, but that does not make him happy to be one of the first North Americans to pay a carbon tax to curb climate change.

**costs**

» For drivers, that will mean an additional 2.41 cents on a litre of gasoline

Nelson, the mayor of Williams Lake, British Columbia, says record high energy prices mean that the levy, for all its good intentions, could not come at a worse time for residents in his community, north of Vancouver.

"The last thing they need now is a tax on top of these soaring prices to add insult to injury," said Nelson, predicting that a taxpayer revolt will eventually scuttle the new tax, which takes effect on July 1.

The tax on fossil fuels will make B.C. the first in North America to bring in a broad-based levy designed to cut emissions of the greenhouse gases that are blamed for global warming.

REUTERS

## »news In Brief

» **EAGLE** A golden eagle from the Greater Vancouver Zoo's birds of prey exhibit found out what it's like to be prey yesterday when it flew into a lion's cage and was eaten in front of zoo visitors.

» **SEALS** Canadians should wear sealskin to celebrate the country's birthday on July 1, an Inuit leader said on Friday, in defiance of a European movement to ban the import of Canadian seal products.

» **FISHING** The Supreme Court of Canada allowed a native Indian-only fisheries Friday on a key Pacific coast salmon river, rejecting a complaint the policy fostered racial discrimination.

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# world

Smoking bans are an effective way of preventing heart disease, getting cigarette users to quit and protecting children from second-hand smoke, a World Health Organization report issued today says. REUTERS

# Mugabe sworn in as president

## Kenya calls for African Union troop deployment

Zimbabwean President Robert Mugabe was sworn in yesterday after being declared overwhelming winner of a one-man election which observers said was scarred by violence and intimidation.

Mugabe was the only candidate and went ahead with the vote despite a wave of international censure. The United States, which says it is preparing new sanctions, called yesterday for strong international action.

Opposition leader Morgan Tsvangirai withdrew a week ago saying a systematic campaign of violence, which killed nearly 90 of his followers, had made a free and fair vote impossible.

The electoral commission said Mugabe won 85.51 per cent of the vote. He had 43.2 per cent in elections in March, which Tsvangirai won with 47.9 percent — short of the absolute majority needed for a first-round victory.

Kenya meanwhile, is calling for the African Union to deploy troops in Zimbabwe to resolve the crisis that has become an embarrassment to the continent, Kenya's Prime Minister Raila Odinga was quoted yesterday as saying. REUTERS

### Rice urges action

» U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice yesterday urged China and other powers to back strong steps against Zimbabwe, but China's foreign minister was noncommittal on possible UN-authorized sanctions.

## Olympics

### Chinese security program begins

**TERRORISM** Thousands of security personnel checked Beijing subway passengers for explosives and other banned items yesterday, the first day of a three-month campaign to guarantee Olympic security, state media said.

China has said terrorism is the biggest threat to the Olympic Games opening on Aug. 8, and has introduced a flurry of measures in recent months to boost security.

## New Jersey

### Dentist sentenced to 54 years in jail

**THEFT** A New Jersey dentist behind a scheme to steal body parts from corpses was sentenced Friday to a minimum of 18 years and a maximum of 54 years in prison. REUTERS

## Kashmir mourning a protester

DANISH ISMAIL/REUTERS

Relatives of Imtiyaz Ahmad cry during his funeral yesterday in Srinagar, Kashmir. Imtiyaz, a Kashmiri protester was shot on friday, passed away in a hospital yesterday evening, his relative said. The Jammu and Kashmir government said it would revoke its decision to transfer forest land to a Hindu shrine trust, a move that could defuse mass protests by Muslims across the region.

## Israel cabinet votes for prisoner swap

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert won his cabinet's approval yesterday for a prisoner swap with Hezbollah under which two soldiers held by the Lebanese guerrilla group, and believed to be dead, would be recovered.

The seizure of army reservists Ehud Goldwasser and Eldad Regev in a July 2006 border ambush triggered a month-long war in Lebanon, with Olmert ruling out talks on their return. He then relented, negotiating through a UN-appointed German mediator.

Olmert told ministers before they voted 22-3 to approve the deal that Israel believed the two soldiers did not survive their capture, cabinet sources said. REUTERS

## U.S. working toward Iran regime change: Report

U.S. congressional leaders agreed late last year to President George W. Bush's funding request for a major escalation of covert operations against Iran aimed at destabilizing its leadership, according to a report in The New Yorker magazine published yesterday.

The article by Seymour Hersh, from the magazine's July 7 and 14 issue, centers on a classified Presidential Finding signed by Bush which, by U.S. law, must be made known to Democratic and Republican House and Senate leaders and ranking members of the intelligence committees.

"The Finding was focused on undermining Iran's nuclear ambitions and trying to undermine the government through regime change," the article cited a person familiar with its contents as saying. REUTERS

### war of words

» Iran's foreign minister said yesterday he did not believe Israel was in a position to attack his country over its nuclear program, while an Iranian general announced plans to prepare 320,000 graves for enemy soldiers.

## »news In Brief

» **FLOODS** Levees on the cresting Mississippi River held yesterday as the worst U.S. Midwest flooding in 15 years began to ebb, but multibillion-dollar crop losses may boost world food prices for years.

» **DEATH** A 17-year-old boy was killed by a roller coaster at a Six Flags Inc. amusement park in Georgia on Saturday after entering a restricted area, park officials said. REUTERS

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# Drying clothes outside a breeze

EARTH TONES
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We finally did it! We did all our laundry and dried it outside on a clothesline.

We have been attempting this ever since the first glimmers of spring in March or April. The first few times we washed clothes on Saturday morning, hung them up outside, took the slightly frozen but still damp clothes in on Saturday evening and then hung them back out all day Sunday and still had damp clothes on Sunday night. But now, as we were saying, the drying power of the sun has increased sufficiently so we can dry multiple loads in a single weekend.

And you can, too. As of April 18, the Ontario government has made bylaws that outlaw clotheslines illegal. These bylaws were mostly in place in new subdivisions and the ban on bylaws was opposed by builders of these new subdivisions. The rationale for opposing the ban, according to the builders, is that homeowners bought the houses knowing about the bylaw and it isn't fair to change the rules on them.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE FILE PHOTO

There is something therapeutic about hanging wet laundry outside and taking the sun-warmed clothes down and smelling the outdoors on them, our columnists write.

We're not sure about how other people choose houses, but for us, when we were house hunting we were interested in location, number of bedrooms, age of the roof, etc., not really whether we were going to see the neighbour's jammies fluttering in the breeze.

Actually it's interesting to think how perceptions have changed. These bylaws were put into place because drying clothes on the line was considered unsightly and "low class." Now we would like to think that conserving energy is both beautiful and classy however you do it. Driers are one of the most energy intensive household appliances while they are running, although since most houses don't run them constantly they account for only about 6 per cent of a household's energy budget. But still, anywhere energy usage can be trimmed, it should be.

Which brings us to the fact that we have been in several newish subdivisions lately, visiting family and friends and we can't help but notice that there has not been a proliferation of new clotheslines installed since April 18. We highly recommend getting one.

There is something therapeutic about hanging wet laundry outside and taking the sun-warmed clothes down and smelling the outdoors on them, which is pure pleasure.

Andrew Laursen is an assistant professor at Ryerson University. Sophia Dore is an environmental scientist with Conestoga-Rovers & Associates.

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# business

Rogers Communications has announced pricing plans ranging from $60 to $115 a month for Apple Inc's 3G iPhone, prompting an outcry about prices from angry customers. The price includes unlimited Wi-Fi access at Rogers hotspots. REUTERS

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## Bankers warn about inflation

Central bankers meeting in Basel, Switzerland, issued a stern warning yesterday against the dangers of surging inflation, saying rising energy costs risk damaging growth in rich and poor countries alike.

Policymakers from more than 100 central banks attending talks at the annual meeting of the Bank for International Settlements agreed oil prices — which surged past $142 a barrel for the first time last week — were a major concern. But they said there was no single way to tame inflation and boost growth. REUTERS

# Rapper giving back

## Wyclef Jean working to develop Haiti

When Wyclef Jean went to Haiti recently, he was accompanied by a pool of buttoned-down business types, including Canadian entrepreneur Belinda Stronach and other potential foreign investors.

The Haitian-born Jean, who rose to fame with the Fugees hip-hop group and became a homeland hero with his efforts to bring education and peace to the impoverished Caribbean nation, has set his sights on serious economic change.

The Grammy-winning musician said the poorest country in the Americas, roiled by food riots in April, needs foreign investment and help with sustainable development but not charity that could cause Haiti to become even more dependent.

Jean, 35, said the most important contribution the international community could make to Haiti is to invest in agriculture, road projects and economic infrastructure.

Jean has called for an end to the kidnappings-for-ransom that have plagued Haiti in recent years and urged Haitians and foreign partners to create a safer environment for investment. REUTERS

JOSHUA LOTT/FILES/REUTERS

Musician Wyclef Jean announces his Together For Haiti program to help provide food and employment to the struggling country of Haiti in New York in this May 20 file photo.

auto sales

## Investor predicts further decline

**MARKET** U.S. auto sales in June are expected to post a double-digit decline, dropping to a 15-year low as record gasoline prices killed the market for trucks and SUVs. Now the question for investors has become whether the market has hit bottom or whether an even deeper downturn awaits.

"My expectation is that the second half of this year isn't going to be much better," said Jerry York, adviser to billionaire investor Kirk Kerkorian. REUTERS

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## In Brief

» **BANKING** There are more investment and corporate banking layoffs to come at Canadian bank-owned dealers and boutique firms, a recruiter predicted Friday after a newspaper reported that Bank of Montreal is laying off about 150 people in its capital markets unit, or roughly 6 per cent of staff.

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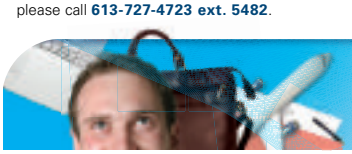

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# sports

Nineteen-year-old Inbee Park of South Korea, left, became the youngest player to win the U.S. Women's Open with a four-shot victory yesterday in Minnesota. REUTERS

# Spain reigns Europe

## Torres' goal lifts his country to first title in 44 years

EURO2008

Striker Fernando Torres' brilliantly executed first-half goal gave Spain a deserved 1-0 victory over Germany yesterday as they were crowned European champions for the first time in 44 years.

Spain dominated a thrilling, end-to-end Euro 2008 final and could have won by a far more convincing margin, but Torres' 33rd minute strike was enough to bring them their first major title since their 1964 Euro success on home soil.

Just minutes after powering a header against the base of Jens Lehmann's post, Torres ran on to Xavi's through ball, sprinted around full-back Philipp Lahm and chipped a delicate shot with the inside of his right foot past the advancing keeper.

"It's a dream come true," he said. "It's our first title (together) and we hope it will be the first of many. We've still got the World Cup to come, we have to be ambitious.

Germany coach Joachim Loew was gracious in defeat, complimenting Spain on the standard of their soccer.

"We have to accept the quality of the Spanish side tonight and their technical ability."

Forward David Villa, who missed the final due to injury, finished as the tournament's top scorer with four goals while Spain took their unbeaten run to 22 matches and finally banished their reputation as serial underachievers. REUTERS

CLIVE MASON/GETTY IMAGES

Captain Iker Casillas lifts the European championship trophy after Spain defeated Germany 1-0 in the final yesterday in Vienna.

# Harden likely to be trade bait

YORK REPORT
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MLB contenders are quietly trying to top each other with trade pitches for **Rich Harden**, the 27-year-old right-hander from Victoria, B.C.

The cold Harden facts:

• His contract expires after this season and the frugal Oakland A's have no intention of paying him the megabucks he'll be worth, so they've made it clear that he can be had for the right package before the July 31 trade deadline.

• He has a history of injuries but clubs aren't concerned because of his excellence this month.

• In June, he has struck out 42 batters in 32 1/3 innings and his earned-run average is a remarkable 1.65.

• His most recent start, last Thursday, was a real gem in which he struck out 11 Philadelphia batters in eight innings en route to a 5-0 victory, prompting Phillies manager **Charlie Manuel** to say: "Harden has some of the nastiest stuff in baseball. He could be the difference maker in a pennant race."

» The CFL had a rough opening weekend, producing low-scoring and generally dull games.

The Winnipeg Blue Bombers and Hamilton Tiger-Cats scored touchdowns only once in their respective losses, while the Edmonton Eskimos couldn't produce any TDs in theirs.

In B.C., a quarterbacking change already seems likely as Lions coach **Wally Buono** wasn't pleased — actually, he used the word "pissed" when discussing his team's loss. **Jarious Jackson** probably will start Friday night against the Saskatchewan Roughriders instead of **Buck Pierce**.

Buono criticized the Lions' lack of discipline in a loss to the Stampeders in Calgary Thursday night. "I'll correct this," he vowed.

» **Matt Devlin** is the new voice of the Toronto Raptors, sources have told Metro.

Devlin previously served as the voice of the Memphis Grizzlies and the Charlotte Bobcats. He also has worked for TNT and Fox.

He'll replace **Chuck Swirsky**, who's abandoning the Raps to become the Chicago Bulls' voice. Devlin has beaten out at least four Canadians for the Raptors' job.

Marty York has been a groundbreaking sports columnist and broadcaster in Canada for decades.

## SCOREBOARD

### MLB

**YESTERDAY'S RESULTS**
**INTERLEAGUE**
Chicago Sox 5 Chicago Cubs 1
Cincinnati 9 Cleveland 5
Detroit 4 Colorado 3
Houston 3 Boston 2
L.A. Angels 1 L.A. Dodgers 0
Minnesota 5 Milwaukee 0
N.Y. Mets 3 N.Y. Yankees 1
San Francisco 11 Oakland 1
Seattle 9 San Diego 2
St. Louis 9 Kansas City 6
Tampa Bay 4 Pittsburgh 3
Texas 5 Philadelphia 1
Toronto 1 Atlanta 0
Washington 3 Baltimore 2 (12 ings)
**NATIONAL LEAGUE**
Florida 4 Arizona 3
**TONIGHT'S GAMES**
**AMERICAN LEAGUE**
Texas at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05
Kansas City at Baltimore, 7:05
Boston at Tampa Bay, 7:10
Detroit at Minnesota, 8:10
Cleveland at Chicago W. Sox, 8:11
Oakland at L.A. Angels, 10:05
Toronto at Seattle, 10:10
**NATIONAL LEAGUE**
N.Y. Mets at St. Louis, 7:05
Washington at Florida, 7:10
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 7:10
L.A. Dodgers at Houston, 8:05
San Diego at Colorado, 9:05
Milwaukee at Arizona, 9:40
Chicago Cubs at San Francisco, 10:15

### CFL

**WEEK 1**
**SATURDAY'S RESULT**
Saskatchewan 34 Edmonton 13
**FRIDAY'S RESULT**
Toronto 23 Winnipeg 16
**THURSDAY'S RESULTS**
Calgary 28 B.C. 18
Montreal 33 Hamilton 10

### BASEBALL

**CAN-AM LEAGUE GAMES FEATURING THE OTTAWA RAPIDZ:**
**YESTERDAY'S RESULT**
**OTTAWA** 9 Brockton 2
**TONIGHT'S GAMES**
Brockton at **OTTAWA**, 7:05

### LOTTERIES

**Friday, June 27, 2008**
Lotto Super 7 — 7, 8, 12, 17, 22, 31 & 47. Bonus 35.
Ontario Pick 3 — 0 0 6
Ontario Pick 4 — 7 4 9 5
Encore — 5278488
Daily Keno — 3, 6, 7, 8, 11, 16, 19, 20, 22, 26, 37, 39, 43, 44, 51, 55, 60, 62, 64, 70.
**Saturday, June 28, 2008**
Lotto 6/49 — 4, 16, 20, 23, 28 & 44. Bonus 32.
Ontario 49 — 3, 27, 29, 32, 33 & 44. Bonus 24.
Lottario — 8, 10, 21, 22, 40 & 45. Bonus 43.
Early bird — 5, 21, 26 & 39.
Ontario Pick 3 — 3 0 4
Ontario Pick 4 — 6 5 6 3
Encore — 9214268
Daily Keno — 1, 5, 7, 9, 10, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 25, 27, 28, 30, 47, 56, 57, 58, 62, 70.
**Sunday, June 29, 2008**
Ontario Pick 3 — 1 4 3
Ontario Pick 4 — 8 7 4 2
Encore — 0564607
Daily Keno — 1, 4, 16, 17, 20, 21, 24, 26, 27, 30, 36, 39, 42, 46, 48, 49, 55, 63, 65, 70.
Results not official

## »sports In Brief

» **NHL** The Tampa Bay Lightning have agreed to terms with forward Ryan Malone on a seven-year deal worth about $31 million US, according to an Internet report. Gary Roberts also is close to signing a one-year deal with Tampa Bay that has the potential to reach $2 million, Sportsnet.ca reports. An announcement could come as early as today.

» **GOLF** American Kenny Perry claimed his second title of the year when Woody Austin bogeyed the final hole to hand him victory at the Buick Open yesterday. With Perry in the clubhouse after a final-round six-under 66, Austin watched his title hopes end with a bogey-bogey finish, missing a 18-foot par putt at the 18th to force a playoff.

» **BASEBALL** Greg Bunn allowed two runs, one earned, on six hits while striking out six in seven innings of work as the Ottawa Rapidz downed the Brockton Rox 9-2 yesterday.

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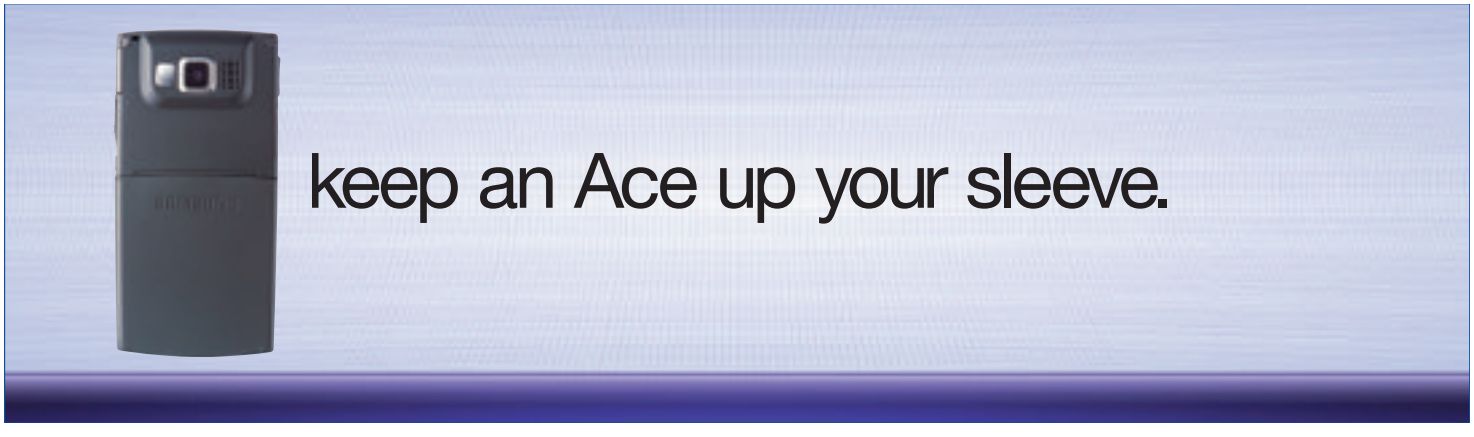

# workology

The Ontario government is investing $17 million to provide more research internship opportunities for up to 1,750 graduate students province-wide, an Ontario news release states. METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Turn off that cellphone

## Today's connected world contributes to work worry

By **RAFAEL BRUSILOW**
for Metro Ottawa

Four out of five Canadians believe work stress is harming their health but few are willing to completely let go of work, even on vacation.

A recent Ipsos-Reid survey presented by *Tripharbour.ca* showed that more than 80 per cent of working Canadians believe workplace stress is negatively impacting their health, and more than one-in-three Canadians surveyed say they struggle to balance their work and personal lives.

Lise Janelle, a business and life coach who spent more than 23 years as a chiropractor, says "powering down" — being able to drop your work and force yourself to relax like you're supposed to — is becoming increasingly hard in a world of instant and constant communication. In her experience, not taking the time to relax can make you far less productive despite spending more time working.

People should find time to "power down" when away from work to lower stress, life coach Lise Janelle suggests.

"What I find with my clients is if they don't power down, their productivity is decreased. They feel stressed out, they feel tired, they feel they never have enough time in the day," Janelle said.

Janelle blames communication devices and their prevalence in day-to-day lives as a large factor in making Canadians feel like they're tethered to work no matter where they are. Turning off your work cellphone or mobile data device is the first step to letting yourself truly relax.

> *« We used to live not that long ago without cellphones and the world still functioned. I'm certain you can take a week off without your cellphone and things will be OK. »*
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> *Life coach Lise Janelle*

"We used to live not that long ago without cellphones and the world still functioned. I'm certain you can take a week off without your cellphone and things will be OK," Janelle said.

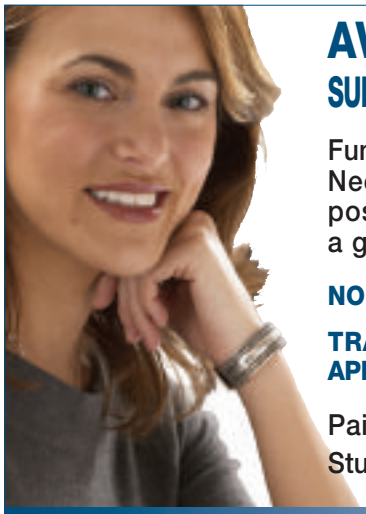
The study found Albertans are most likely to keep their data devices and check work calls while on vacation with Ontarians also struggling to let go, while Quebecers had the lowest instances of checking in with the office during time off. In the Atlantic provinces, 62 per cent of respondents said they don't enjoy their work while respondents in Saskatchewan and Manitoba were least likely to believe that work-related stress was negatively impacting their lives. Across Canada, one-in-five workers admitted to never truly disconnecting from work.

For Janelle, the results show that people who can't let go of work when they're not working have the hardest time powering down.

"If people are serious about powering down, they don't have a problem putting down their mobile. If you do have a problem powering down, don't take your mobile with you," Janelle said.

Over the years, Janelle has seen first-hand the negative health effects of workplace stress on Canadians.

"Often the spine gets affected, people get stress headaches, lower back pain, neck pain and stomach ulcers. There are health risks," Janelle said.

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More Canadian fathers are embracing parenthood and taking time off to care for their young children, according to a Statistics Canada study released recently. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICES

# Achieving success

## Book details famous people's quest for the top

By **RAFAEL BRUSILOW**
for Metro Ottawa

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**Alexander Herman, left, and Andrew Feindel, two of the three authors of Kickstart, show off their published book.**

Three new authors hope their book will answer an illuminating question — how did some of Canada's most famous and successful individuals get to where they are today?

Andrew Feindel, Alexander Herman and Paul Matthews were first profiled in Metro in 2006 where we documented their struggles to get their book published as new authors with no experience but a whopper of an idea.

Today, their book Kickstart: How Successful Canadians Got Started features dozens of interviews with some of Canada's most notable and successful public figures, including dancer Karen Kain, athlete Rick Hansen, business mogul and philanthropist Peter Munk and even former prime minister Brian Mulroney.

Since most new graduates experience some form of uncertainty about what to do next in their lives, the authors figured the best way to find out how to achieve success was from Canadians who had already done it. Luckily for the rest of us, most interviewees confirmed that their early years were just as uncertain and restless as one might expect.

"In general, no one really knew what they were doing," said author Alexander Herman.

"It shows there's no single road map to get where you want to go," added co-author Andrew Feindel.

If any one piece of advice seems to cut across all lives from the book, it would be to do what you love, not what you feel you have to do to make a living.

"One of the things that held a lot of stories together is that people were doing things they loved to do. They were quite passionate about what they do," Herman said.

Feindel and Herman say the hardest part was getting people to speak with them when they first started working on the book since they had no publisher and no experience. Meanwhile, publishers didn't want to give them the time of day since they had not completed enough interviews to have a book.

"Publishers would say to us, 'Great idea, come to us when you have it finished.' The people we would try to interview would say, 'Great idea — when you have a publishing deal, then we'll talk,'" Feindel said.

Luckily, as more interviews started rolling in, convincing other interviewees to participate became easier due to word-of-mouth and name recognition. Still, some interviews took a lot of effort to secure — it took two years to get Brian Mulroney, for example.

Rather than relying solely on their own perceptions of influential Canadians, Feindel, Herman and Matthews hit up the interviewees themselves to recommend people to include in the book.

"We asked interviewees, 'Who would you like to see in a book like this?'" Feindel said.

Plenty of interviews were edited out for space, so expect to see them if the book becomes successful.

"There's room for a sequel," Herman joked.

## *In their own words...*

By **RAFAEL BRUSILOW**
for Metro Ottawa

Some quotes from famous people in the book:

"Through my 20s, I never worried about the direction of my career. I only concerned myself with being able to make my next project."
**–FILMMAKER DEEPA MEHTA**

"Too few women today feel comfortable demonstrating confidence. They feel their role is to be weak. For a woman to be successful, she has to act like a lady and work like a dog."
**–HAZEL MCCALLION, 11-TERM MAYOR OF MISSISSAUGA**

## Google gets top rep rank

Google Inc's famous employee perks — from providing "nap pods" for a quick break during the day to allowing engineers to spend 20 per cent of their work time on side projects that may spark new ideas — have given the Internet leader the best reputation in corporate America, according to a study released this week.

On the other hand, the U.S. airline industry, which has cut employee pay while raising prices and tacking on fees for formerly free services like meals and checked bags, saw its popularity tumble, the annual Harris Interactive Reputation Quotient poll found.

Largely for its reputation for treating workers well, Google claimed the No. 1 spot from Microsoft Corp, which fell to 10th place.

"The ratings they get focus on how they treat their employees, their workplace environment," said Robert Fronk, senior vice-president at Harris. "They absolutely get tremendous credit for the social responsibility, which for them is also linked with their vision and leadership."

The airline industry suffered from a perception of treating both the public and its employees poorly, Fronk said. The percentage of respondents whose rating toward it was favorable fell to 26 per cent from 31 per cent last year, the sharpest drop of any of the 11 industries counted. REUTERS

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# Hunting for careers, on a galactic scale

## Jobs in space attainable for all, MacLean says

By **RAFAEL BRUSILOW**
for Metro Ottawa

Renowned Canadian astronaut Steve MacLean wants Canadians to know a career in space isn't out of their reach.

The well-travelled space explorer, famous for having flown space flights aboard space shuttles Columbia and Atlantis, hit the road recently to convince Canadians that they have what it takes to be the newest additions to the Canadian Space Agency's (CSA) flying roster.

MacLean's road crusade comes on the heels of the announcement by Jim Prentice, minister of Industry Canada, that the CSA will recruit two new astronauts for upcoming space flight missions to the moon and Mars.

Though the odds seem steep — two positions out of an entire country of potential applicants — MacLean is adamant that qualified people shouldn't discount themselves too quickly. He believes plenty of suitable astronaut candidates lurk within Canada right now.

"The talent that is out there in this country today speaks well to our future. There are hundreds of Canadians out there who can do this job," MacLean said.

Both eventual candidates will serve at least 10 years in the CSA and be trained for the planned 2018 NASA mission to the moon. That trip will also serve as a testing ground for the equipment and technologies expected to make possible a later trip to Mars.

When looking for potential applicants, MacLean says that while smarts and skills are a good sign of talent (astronaut candidates should be particularly strong in sciences), people who are open-minded and who work well with others have a better chance of being considered. Training will take care of the rest.

"You have to be versatile, you have to work in a team. We need people who are balanced, people who have good communication skills. You can't expect anyone to already have what it takes but the training is so good that if you have an aptitude for it you'll develop into a competent astronaut," MacLean said.

Besides the two chosen astronauts, the CSA is looking to develop a pool of 20 outstanding candidates for future service as well.

MacLean admits that the joy of space flight is likely to be a big draw for applicants and rightly so, since he considers his trips to space probably the greatest experiences of his life. He says weightlessness is a feeling unlike any other.

"Every single muscle relaxes when you're flying in space. You will love it. It will become a part of you and something you will never forget," MacLean said.

MacLean hopes the upcoming missions will signal a newfound focus on space travel.

"I think we're at a turning point in the world. The future will be what we make of it," he said.

### worth a shot

» MacLean, now 53, himself thought he had no chance of becoming an astronaut nearly 25 years ago but fatefully applied anyways.

RAFAEL BRUSILOW/FOR METRO OTTAWA

Astronaut Steve MacLean says he never thought he had it in him to go to space when he applied to the CSA 25 years ago.

> « *You can't expect anyone to already have what it takes but the training is so good that if you have an aptitude for it you'll develop into a competent astronaut.* »
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Chris Kattan, left, married model Sunshine Tutt in Yosemite Valley, Calif., on Saturday. PEOPLE.COM

# Nas concept bucking trend

## New record title sparked support and controversy

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Since October, when Nas first announced his intentions for his album title, he has drawn all kinds of responses.

Seated in a quiet corner of New York restaurant the Spotted Pig, Nas is drinking a glass of rose. He's dressed comfortably in jeans, Velcro-fastened sneakers and a white T-shirt featuring the image of a poster from Muhammad Ali and Joe Frazier's Thrilla in Manilla fight. His black Rolls Royce is parked outside and he's awaiting a few cigars from his driver.

In here, the noise surrounding the rapper's new Def Jam album, formerly known as N--ger, has faded, but Nas is still happy to discuss the grand implications of it all.

Since October, when Nas first announced his intentions for the album title, he has drawn all kinds of responses, ranging from the ire of African-American activist the Rev. Al Sharpton to the support of Def Jam chairman/CEO Antonio L.A. Reid. After certain retail distributors, which neither Def Jam nor Nas would identify, claimed they wouldn't carry an album called N--ger, Nas rechristened it as an untitled project, starting yet another round of debate on popular hip-hop sites like *nahright.com*.

As the record nears its July 15 release, Nas is the first to admit he's not a one-man show. Def Jam, a unit of publicly traded company Vivendi, has to market this hot-button album while maintaining its market share, which raises the question: How do a corporation and an artist balance creative integrity with the bottom line?

"If I was the one watching all this s--t happen, I would want to see me ride to the end," says Nas, who promises that he hasn't changed or removed the album's incendiary commentary on race relations. "Except a lot of so-called black leaders were using my album as a platform for themselves. I would have been fighting not to get the N--ger album out but to express myself, and that's not the fight I wanted. This album is about me and how I feel as a black man."

> *« From Jay-Z to 50 Cent to Kanye (West), I've been around longer than all of them, and I don't need any of their marketing. »*
>
> *Nas, rap artist*

Nas' subject matter is rare for contemporary commercial hip-hop, which sells everything from mobile phones to fast food. The three hip-hop songs atop Billboard's Hot R&B/Hip-Hop Songs chart — Plies' Bust It Baby Part 2 and Lil Wayne's Lollipop and A Milli — focus on sex and braggadocio. But Nas says he recorded the album with entertainment as well as education in mind.

"I didn't want to n--ger my audience to death," he says. "So Be a N--ger Too, which I recently released a video for, isn't on the album. It didn't fit. The entire record deals with the concept, but ... I had to pace myself."

Newly minted Def Jam executive vice president Shakir Stewart says that while the company wholeheartedly supports Nas' creative vision, all parties understand the business implications of the original album name.

"Nas would not jeopardize his opportunity to get his music to the public," Stewart says. "He understands that we believe in intelligent freedom of speech, meaning whatever stance you take, be prepared for some accountability."

"Nas is a visionary," Stewart says.

Nas has lit one of the cigars and is musing that he doesn't need to market himself like other artists. Maybe after more than a decade in hip-hop, he's just being honest.

"From Jay-Z to 50 Cent to Kanye (West), I've been around longer than all of them, and I don't need any of their marketing," Nas says. "The people are my marketing, and that puts me in a class by myself."

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## »news In Brief

» **GAMING** Aerosmith fans can finally get their chance to step into the shoes of Steven Tyler and Joe Perry as video game developer Activision Inc released its Guitar Hero: Aerosmith game Friday, Reuters reports. The game features 30 of the band's most notable hits such as Love in an Elevator and Sweet Emotion.

» **BOX OFFICE** Animation giant Pixar hit the box office jackpot once again on Sunday as its robot love story WALL-E snagged the No. 1 spot during its first weekend of release across North America, Reuters reports. The movie, bolstered by critical praise, earned an estimated $62.5 million in its first three days, said Pixar's Walt Disney Co parent.

» **TELEVISION** The Osbournes are set to follow-up their comedy-reality series on MTV by teaming with American Idol producers for a new weekly variety show, according to TV Week, ew.com reports.

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BRYAN BEDDER/GETTY IMAGES

British band Coldplay ices the No. 1 slot on both sides of the Atlantic.

## Coldplay hits big milestones

Coldplay keeps the top soil fertile on the Billboard 200, as Viva La Vida or Death and All His Friends opens with 721,000 sold.

With that U.S. splash, the British band ices the No. 1 slot on both sides of the Atlantic as it holds court for a second week on the U.K. albums chart. Coming a week after Lil Wayne joined the million-per-week club with Tha Carter III, Coldplay's American splash invokes a few "first since" chart feats.

This marks the first time since March 2005 that the Billboard 200 was led by a 700,000-plus sum in consecutive weeks. The last occasion happened when 50 Cent's The Massacre sold 1.1 million in its first frame, then 771,000 in its second.

The parlay from Lil Wayne, now No. 2 with 308,000 sold, to Coldplay also represents just the second time in Nielsen SoundScan history that two different albums open north of 700,000 in back-to-back weeks. Britney Spears' Oops! ... I Did It Again and Eminem's The Marshall Mathers LP accomplished that feat in May 2000, when they each started with million-plus weeks.

Following a 2005 start of 737,000 for X&Y, Coldplay also becomes the first act to field weeks of 700,000-plus copies on consecutive albums since September and the first band or group to do so since 2001.

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Gossip Girl star Ed Westwick, left, has again denied rumours he is dating co-star Chace Crawford. The actors have been subjected to speculation they are dating, but Westwick insists they just live together, and nothing more. IMDB.COM

# Birthday concert honours Mandela

Stars of the screen, stage and recording studio paid tribute Friday to former South African leader Nelson Mandela, whose visit to London was overshadowed by events surrounding the disputed elections in Zimbabwe.

Hollywood actor Will Smith hosted a birthday celebration concert honouring Mandela, who turns 90 next month, complete with nearly 50,000 cheering fans in London's Hyde Park. Smith was joined on stage by Formula One racer Lewis Hamilton and acts including Queen, Simple Minds, Amy Winehouse, Leona Lewis, Annie Lennox and Razorlight.

The event supported Mandela's HIV/AIDS charity 46664, named for the number assigned him as a one-time political prisoner, and comes 20 years after another London concert on his behalf while he was still behind bars for his stand against apartheid.

ANDREW WINNING/REUTERS

Former South African President Nelson Mandela waves during the London concert held in his honour.

"Twenty years ago, London hosted a historic concert which called for our freedom," a frail-looking Mandela told the crowd. "Your voices carried across the water and inspired us in our prison cells far away," he said. REUTERS

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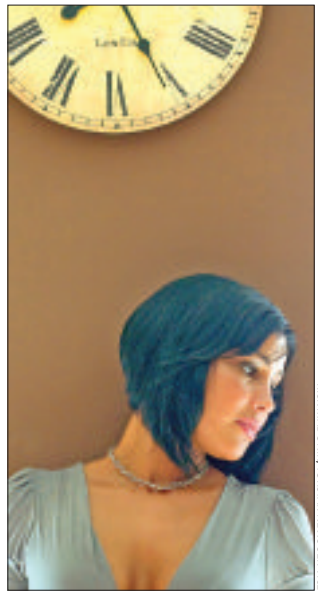
# Married to Mos Def

## Former stripper from Ontario pens tell-all about world of hip-hop

While kiss-and-tell books have been a staple of rock 'n' roll, it's early days for the genre in hip hop. Bestowed with the industry nickname Superhead, former music video performer and Virgin Islands native Karrine Steffans got the ball rolling in 2005 with her New York Times bestseller Confessions Of A Video Vixen which explicitly detailed dalliances with entertainers such as Sean "Diddy" Combs, Jay-Z and Dr. Dre.

New Yorker Carmen Bryan followed with 2006's It's No Secret, which outlined her relationship with her daughter's father, rapper Nas, whom she two-timed for five years with his rival Jay-Z, and on occasion with basketball star Allen Iverson.

Now a Canadian woman in getting in on the action. One-time stripper Alana Wyatt-Smith, 29, who has a seven-year-old son with Toronto hip-hop artist Saukrates, has penned Breaking The Code Of Silence, a memoir examining her 2005 marriage to American MC-turned-actor-Mos Def, three days after they met, as well as encounters with various professional athletes and celebs.



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Alana Wyatt-Smith, who had a whirlwind marriage to hip-hop artist Mos Def, has written a book about her experiences in the world of hip-hop.

She also recounts a rough-and-tumble upbringing that included childhood sexual abuse by a relative and being beaten into a coma by a violent boyfriend as a teenager.

Wyatt-Smith would prefer to distance her book from that of Steffans and Bryan, insisting that it's not an exposé, because she disguises the identities of the bulk of her lovers. (Another key difference is that the Americans' books were released by reputable publishing houses and consequently don't suffer the errors in spelling, grammar and coherency that plague her self-published narrative).

"I disagree with putting names of people in there, just out of respect for their wives and children," said Wyatt-Smith. "If this was about making money, getting rich, I could have wrote a tell-all book, 10 times better than Karrine Steffens ... I use nicknames, initials, that myself and the gentleman would know; the ones named I got permission from."

Except, of course, for the biggest fish, Mos Def, legally named Dante Smith. Torstar News Service tried unsuccessfully to reach the 34-year-old Brooklyn native for comment through his record label, booking agent and entertainment lawyer. Highly rated for his socio-political stance and distinctively mumbling flow, Mos Def also fronts a hip-hop-jazz big band and is an actor who appeared in films such as Monster's Ball and Be Kind Rewind.

In her book, Wyatt-Smith, who previously supported herself as an exotic dancer, model and video music performer (Snoop Dogg's Drop It Like It's Hot), recounts how they were married at Toronto City Hall on Aug. 17, 2005, just several days after they met.

Within six weeks, the couple had attended Fashion Week in New York, the MTV Video Music Awards in Miami, purchased a $850,000 house in Caledon, Ont. — and separated.

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festival circuit

## Wenders to chair jury at Venice fest

Wenders

**FILM** The acclaimed German director Wim Wenders will chair the jury of this year's Venice film festival, organizers said on Friday.

Wenders is perhaps best know for his films The Buena Vista Social Club (1998) and Paris, Texas (1984). He is already a darling of the Venice festival, winning its Golden Lion prize in 1982 with his film The State Of Things about a shoestring movie producer and his ragtag crew.

The festival, in its 65th edition this year, runs from Aug 27 to Sept 6. REUTERS

# Emmy organizers disclose top 10 comedies, dramas

## Announcement marks first time short list revealed

Emmy organizers for the first time ever have unveiled a list of the top 10 comedies and 10 dramas competing to be nominated for U.S. television's highest honours, which are presented in September.

Traditionally, the Academy Of Television Arts And Sciences does not reveal its short list of the 20 shows under consideration for best drama and best comedy series nominations, which this year will be announced on July 17.

The list of 10 drama finalists includes one previous Emmy winner for best drama series, ABC's castaway thriller Lost, and three other past nominees — ABC's courtroom saga Boston Legal and two medical shows, the Fox hit House and ABC favorite Grey's Anatomy.

The critically acclaimed but low-rated NBC series Friday Night Lights also made the cut, as did the serial killer drama Dexter, which appeared on both CBS and the cable network Showtime.

Rounding out the roster of drama finalists were four more cable shows — AMC's new period piece Mad Men, the FX legal drama Damages, Showtime's historical romp The Tudors and the final season of HBO's The Wire.

The top 10 comedies feature six programs from the broadcast networks lead by Emmy winners for the last two year, 30 Rock and The Office, both on NBC, as well as CBS's bawdy sitcom Two And A Half Men, Fox's animated series Family Guy and ABC newcomer Pushing Daisies.

HBO dominated the four cable TV comedies on the short list with veteran programs Curb Your Enthusiasm and Entourage as well as recent arrival Flight Of The Conchords. REUTERS

Filmmaker Guy Ritchie's mother has hit out at reports her son wants to divorce his singer wife Madonna, right, branding the rumours "works of fiction" dreamed up by the media. IMDB.COM

# Networks work to woo Leno

Don't pity Jay Leno. The host of NBC's The Tonight Show is losing his home of 17 years in 2009, but Leno finds himself in an enviable position. Still packing the ratings punch that delivers the lion's share of NBC's estimated $300 million US in annual late-night revenue, the comic is being wooed by a host of suitors. ABC, Fox, Sony and even CNN have been reported trying to lure Leno, and he won't come cheap: NBC pays him $27 million per year. Little did the Peacock know back in 2004 when then-NBC Universal TV president Jeff Zucker guaranteed Conan O'Brien he would take Leno's job five years later the succession would turn late-night on its ear. It's a situation unthinkable back in the 1992-93 season, when an earlier round of late-night wars deposited Leno in Johnny Carson's chair instead of David Letterman, whose Late Show on CBS has trailed the Tonight audience.

With Leno's future fast becoming the industry's favourite guessing game, The Hollywood Reporter weighs his options (in descending order of likelihood).

**Option 1:** Leno takes ABC's 11:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. time slot occupied by Nightline and Jimmy Kimmel Live! ABC is Leno's most likely destination. ABC would have to kill the venerable Nightline, however, a move that drew strong criticism six years ago when the Alphabet tried to woo Letterman.

**Option 2:** Leno launches a show on Fox at 11 or 11:30 p.m. The top-rated late-night host could give the top-rated network its best shot to expand its primetime rule to late-night. But Fox doesn't program late-night, so it would face an additional challenge of getting the time back from its stations, which air off-net series or more local news after their 10-11 p.m. newscasts.

**Option 3:** Sony Pictures TV puts Leno in syndication. Arsenio Hall proved in the 1990s syndication was a viable route to late-night. However, Leno apparently enjoys the support system of a major broadcast network, and a syndication deal would not likely provide the head-to-head battle with O'Brien and Letterman.

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Jay Leno

**Option 4:** Leno stays put on NBC . . . somehow. NBC is offering Leno every other programming variation under the sun to stay — morning shows, afternoon shows, primetime specials. Not only would it prevent the host from competing against O'Brien, but it also would provide an ace in the hole should Tonight take a hard ratings fall under O'Brien — not entirely unlike how NBC kept Tom Brokaw in the mix after he left the anchor chair.

**Option 5:** Leno cools his heels for a year and re-emerges on CBS in 2010. Retaining Letterman allows CBS to boast a stable late-night lineup to advertisers while competitors manage the post-Leno shakeup. But Letterman's contract expires in 2010, which isn't as far off as it might seem. If Letterman asks to renew his contract for much more than the $30-odd million a year he's already making, CBS Corp. president and CEO Leslie Moonves could play up possibly luring Leno.

**Option 6:** Leno joins Larry King as a CNN host. Leno has surfaced on various lists of replacements for King, whose recent contract renewal through 2010 has done little to scotch rumours CNN is searching for his successor. The cabler has publicly denied this scenario.

**Option 7:** Leno will retire to full-time stand-up in 2010. REUTERS

## movies

### New film follows the path of 300

**WAR** The producers of 300 are taking another trip to an epic battlefield. Gianni Nunnari and Mark Canton will produce War Of Gods, a story with a similar tone to the last year's ancient saga, which earned more than $450 million US worldwide. War Of Gods concerns the battles waged by Theseus, a warrior from Greek mythology, who leads a fight against imprisoned titans. It will be shot by music videos veteran Tarsem, who directed Jennifer Lopez in The Cell.

## television

### Goldblum joins Law & Order

**CASTING** Actor Jeff Goldblum has joined Law & Order: Criminal Intent, replacing Chris Noth who is leaving the crime drama after three seasons. Goldblum, whose salary is said to be about $250,000 US an episode, will split starring duties with co-lead Vincent D'Onofrio the way D'Onofrio did with Noth. "Jeff's presence will add a new dimension to an already successful show," Law & Order chief Dick Wolf said.

## people

### Fawcett, O'Neal's son admits guilt

**DRUG CHARGES** The son of Farrah Fawcett and Ryan O'Neal has admitted to driving under the influence of drugs and to possessing heroin and crystal meth, BBC Online reports. Police arrested Redmond O'Neal on Jan. 26 after they caught him speeding in Malibu, Calif. The 23-year-old has been placed on three years' probation and was fined $1,700 US. The judge ordered O'Neal to attend a drug treatment program until another hearing next month. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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| | 551 | 542 | 65 | YTV | Malcolm-Mid. | Prank Patrol | Fries That? | Futurama | Prank Patrol | Mystery Hnt. | Falcon Beach (DVS) | | Mystery Hnt. |
| cable variety | 570 | 580 | 29 | MM | mmmtop | NoseDive | Tip of Tongue | Tip of Tongue | Listed | | I Know My Kid's a Star | | Popaganda |
| | 615 | 520 | 31 | A&E | CSI: Miami "Grand Prix" | | Intervention "Ashley" | | Intervention "Sandra" (N) | | Psychic Kids: Paranormal | | Paranormal |
| | 628 | 584 | 32 | SPKE | Disorderly Conduct: Video | | Disorderly Conduct: Video | | Star Wars: Episode II -- Attack of the Clones ★★ (2002, Science Fiction) | | | | |
| | 521 | 560 | 34 | TLC | Little People | Little People | Kids by the Dozen | | Jon & Kate Plus 8 (HDTV) (N) | | Jon & Kate | Jon & Kate | Kids by Dozen |
| | 145 | 761 | 35 | TV5 | Toute une histoire | | Gardiens des trésors du monde | | | | Passez au vert | Ville | Journal TV5 |
| | 616 | 521 | 39 | SHO | ReGenesis | | Cold Squad | | Trailer Park | Billable Hours | Damages (HDTV) | | House |
| | 620 | 523 | 40 | BVO | Cirque du Soleil's Solstrom | | Ballet Victoria, A Leap of Faith | | Northern Light | | Bravonews | 6 Possibilities | Law & Order |
| | 520 | 505 | 42 | DIS | Asteroid Tracker (N) | | MythBusters Whirlpools. | | Really Big Things | | Dirty Jobs | | Asteroid Track |
| | 575 | 583 | 43 | CMT | Totally "Shania Twain" | | Ultimate Fan Access: Shania | | Reba | Hope & Faith | Home Improve. | Roseanne | Dedicated |
| | 601 | 562 | 45 | SLC | Women on Top | Til Debt-Part | End of Leash | Spoiled Rotten | Tim Gunn's Guide to Style | | Inside Hollywood | | End of Leash |
| | 625 | 548 | 46 | COM | Air Farce | 22 Minutes | Laughs | Corner Gas | The Simpsons | South Park | Comedy Now | | Daily Show |
| | 294 | 529 | 47 | TBS | Family Guy | Family Guy | Friends | Friends | A Thin Line Between Love and Hate (1996, Comedy-Drama) | | | | Seinfeld |
| | 600 | 564 | 49 | H&G | House Hunters | Property Virgin | Design U | Home to Stay | Property Virgin | House Hunters | Location, Location, Location | | Holmes-Homes |
| | 627 | 528 | 50 | SPC | Stargate SG-1 | | Star Trek: Voyager | | Taken "Jacob and Jesse" (Part 2 of 10) (DVS) | | | | The Terminator |
| | 581 | 566 | 53 | MTV | MTV e2 | Cribs | 4REAL | Next | The Paper | The Paper | The Paper | Life of Ryan | MTV Shuffle |
| | 618 | 524 | 54 | TROP | Deal or No Deal Canada | | ET Canada | What Happen? | X-Weighted "Naomi" | | Are You Smarter | | Deal-No Deal |
| | 522 | 506 | 55 | HIS | NCIS "Heart Break" | | San Quentin | | American History X ★★★ (1998, Drama) Edward Norton, Fairuza Balk. | | | | |
| | 129 | 773 | 60 | CD | Biographies Francine Chaloult. | | Hantise "L'Appel" (HDTV) | | Images-chocs | | Escrocs | | Docu-D (HDTV) |
| | 261 | 394 | 61 | V | Murder, She Wrote | | Prime Minister | Wait for God | McLeod's Daughters (N) | | Divine Restor. | Recreat. Eden | Doc |
| | 602 | 567 | 62 | W | Will & Grace | Friends | How Clean | Kim | Kim | Kim | How Clean | Kim | Kim |
| | 269 | 350 | 70 | APTN | La piqure | Desti'Nations | Notre Peuple | | La Vraie de vraie ★★ (1993, Suspense) Kim Basinger. | | | | Beyond Words |
| | 621 | 527 | 71 | TLK | Look-A-Like | Hollywood | TMZ (N) | eTalk | Scott Baio Is 46 and Pregnant | | The Tonight Show-Jay Leno | | eTalk |
| | 603 | 561 | 95 | FN | Road Grill | Licence to Grill | Restaurant Makeover | | Good Eats | Perfection | Kitchen Nightmares | | Restaurant |

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**Robson Arms**

"Stuck in the middle with you." Robson Arms dwellers appear to be caught in a civil war, with one side wanting condos and the other preferring things as they are. Fred (Haig Sutherland) is persuaded by an old friend to pressure one of the residents to change sides. But when he finds out why his buddy encouraged him to do it, Fred must come up with an ingenious plan to fix things in the season finale, "Hero." 9:30 PM on 7 CTV

**Asteroid Tracker**

Some jobs just sound more fun than others. "Daily Planet" co-host Jay Ingram hosts this documentary that takes a look at asteroids and whether or not Earth is destined to be destroyed by one. Those interviewed include "violent impact specialist" Jay Melosh, who only needs 10 years warning to save the world; amateur astronomer Roy Tucker, who helps track asteroids; and nuclear researcher Mark Boslough, who studies past collisions. 7 PM on 42 DIS

# Celebrity Buzz

## Blame it on boredom

**Amy speaks:** Amy Winehouse insists her problems with drugs and alcohol stem from "boredom" and feeling like she has "nothing to live for," female-first.co.uk reports. In a rare interview with Rolling Stone magazine, the Back To Black hitmaker reveals that after her husband Blake Fielder-Civil was jailed on charges of assault and perverting the course of justice in November 2007, she felt like her life wasn't worth living.

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The Grammy award-winning singer subsequently cancelled her U.K. tour and ended up in rehab in an attempt to kick her addictions. She was also treated at a London hospital for traces of emphysema last week. And Winehouse blames her downward spiral into drink and drugs on her unhappy state. She says, "To be honest, my husband's away, I'm bored, I'm young. I felt like there was nothing to live for. It's just been a low ebb." But the star insists that although she was treated at a London clinic in March, she doesn't feel like she has fully completed a rehab program.

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## Ruben ties the knot

**WEDDING BELLS** American Idol's Season 2 winner Ruben Studdard married Surata Zuri McCants in his hometown of Birmingham, Ala., on Saturday with 20 groomsmen at his side, People.com reports.

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## No new 90210 for Luke Perry

**CASTING** Former Beverly Hills, 90210 heartthrob Luke Perry has dismissed reports he is reprising his role in the new version of the show. Former castmates Tori Spelling and Jennie Garth will appear in the spinoff. METRO NEWS SERVICES

## Celebrity brief

**SEX TAPE** A sex tape allegedly featuring Verne Troyer has been pulled from a celebrity website by court orders, imdb.com reports. The diminutive actor/comic filed a $20-million lawsuit against TMZ.com Friday, accusing the site of violating his rights by publishing and airing extracts from the film. METRO NEWS SERVICES

## celebrity brief

### Gyllenhaal moves in with Witherspoon

**PEOPLE** Reese Witherspoon and Jake Gyllenhaal have moved in together, female-first.co.uk reports. Jake recently moved into Reese's $5-million US Los Angeles home fuelling rumours the couple are planning to wed. A source said: "Marriage is definitely what they are working toward." The pair have become so close Jake is even helping raise Reese's two children — eight-year-old Ava and four-year-old Deacon — from her marriage to Ryan Phillippe. A friend of Reese's added to Us Weekly magazine: "They literally don't want to spend any time away from each other." Oscar-winner Reese and Brokeback Mountain star Jake have been dating for a year after meeting on the set of the film Rendition. Although they initially denied rumours they were an item, they eventually went public last October after they were seen enjoying a romantic weekend break in Rome.

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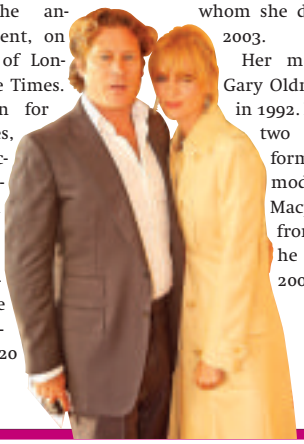
### Uma engaged

**MARRIAGE** Uma Thurman is engaged to her multimillionaire boyfriend, Arpad Busson, her rep has confirmed to People. On Saturday, the couple themselves made the announcement, on page 75 of London's The Times. In return for saying yes, the actress received an eight-plus carat centre stone surrounded by 20 smaller stones.



The pair began dating last summer after attending a private dinner together in Milan.

It would be the third marriage for Thurman, who has a son and daughter with ex Ethan Hawke, whom she divorced in 2003.

Her marriage to Gary Oldman ended in 1992. Busson has two sons with former supermodel Elle Macpherson, from whom he split in 2005.

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## Celebrity brief

**FAMILY RIFT?** Britney Spears is furious over her mother's plan to release a book about her, femalefile.co.uk reports. The disagreement is said to be so severe Britney initially refused to be present when her younger sister Jamie Lynn gave birth earlier this month because she didn't want to see Lynne. A source added to Britain's Closer magazine: "Britney feels that just as she is moving forward, her mom is dragging her back." METRO NEWS SERVICES

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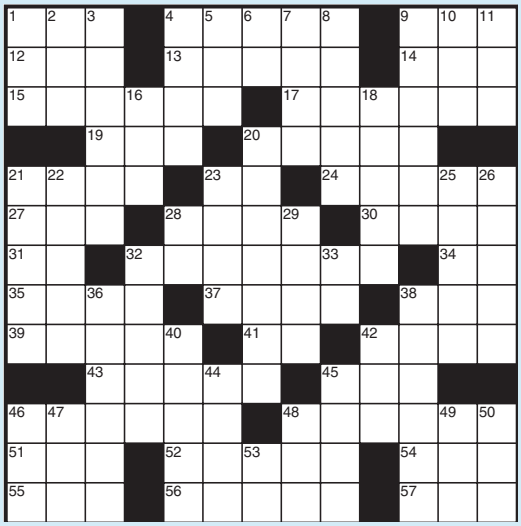

## down »

1 Ben & Jerry rival
2 August kid, maybe
3 Strokes of good fortune
4 Were rivals
5 Hobby ender
6 Chicago Cubs' grp.
7 Average grades
8 Ruhr city
9 49th state
10 Playful bite
11 Golf bag item
16 Compete at an auction
18 Gullets
20 Called balls
21 Give a home to
22 Kind of tea
23 DEA operative
25 Crept
26 Steel plow inventor
28 Mass. neighbor
29 Exec, slangily
32 Wide tie
33 CD-ROM unit
36 Patted on
38 Felt pen
40 Lecture rooms
42 Surfing duo — and Dean
44 Enlist again (hyph.)
45 Cabby's take
46 Slump
47 Ms. Hagen of films
48 Half a candy?
49 Prior to
50 Chat, slangily
53 Roman 11

## across »

1 Brownie
4 Lombardi of football
9 Picnic intruder
12 Tierra — Fuego
13 Capri and Wight
14 Whopper
15 Sure! (2 wds.)
17 Make like Houdini
19 Tyke
20 Software buyers
21 Mimicked
23 Border st.
24 In the buff
27 Some, to Yvette
28 Twist-offs
30 Cross the creek
31 All right
32 Courtyards
34 Fridge manufacturer
35 Seed containers
37 Bin
38 Cousteau's domain
39 Instruct
41 Movie alien
42 Valuable figurine
43 Get on a plane
45 Remote
46 Not blatant
48 Money manager
51 Devoured
52 Karnak neighbor
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56 Backbone
57 Workout unit

### previous answer

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## HOROSCOPE

**ARIES | March 21-April 20**
The people in charge are relying on you to dazzle them. A drama queen enjoys being strange. A thief is caught in the act.

**TAURUS | April 21-May 21**
An outsider won't appreciate your humour. A dream will be refreshing. Play with a special friend at night.

**GEMINI | May 22-June 21**
A love opportunity comes this afternoon. A sweetie protects you from criticism. A guy needs emotional support from you.

**CANCER | June 22-July 22**
It's time to befriend a compassionate soul. Be gentle with someone who responds truthfully. A loser is a winner.

**LEO | July 23-Aug. 23**
A satisfying surrender in a love life is necessary. Location matters while whispering tender words. It's a peak period for problem solving.

**VIRGO | Aug. 24-Sept. 22**
No harm will come to a threatened group. Take time to process information. An extreme reaction is not your fault.

**LIBRA | Sep. 23-Oct. 23**
Common sense is useless in a discussion. Believe the best about a fascinating anecdote. Someone will miss a chance.

**SCORPIO | Oct. 24- Nov. 22**
Time is of the essence in a legal case. Someone else's love affair causes distress. It's a bad idea to throw your weight around.

**SAGITTARIUS | Nov. 23- Dec. 21**
An intriguing person should be investigated. A freebie comes your way. Someone pulls the plug on planned repairs.

**CAPRICORN | Dec. 22-Jan. 20**
Count on an ambitious person to improve matters. Avoid injuring your neck. A homemaker makes a harsh house call.

**AQUARIUS | Jan. 21-Feb. 18**
Be brave enough to be hopeful. Avoid encounters with shallow people. Someone will say yes to your request.

**PISCES | Feb. 19-Mar. 20**
Don't joke when discussing a job. A friend wants to make complaints. An accommodation issue comes to a head.

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## instructions »

The digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, and each zone. (A zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine of these zones in the puzzle.) Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same 3x3 zone, or in the same row across the puzzle, or column down the puzzle.

## solve time »

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| Under 13 minutes | Genius |
| 13-17 minutes | Scholar |
| 17-21 | Smart |
| 21-25 | Pretty good |
| More than 25 | Keep practising |

### previous answer

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| 9 | 4 | 7 | 2 | 8 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 6 |
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| 60% | | | | 70% |
| Showers. | Clear. | Variable. | Mainly sunny. | Rain. |
| 23° | 12° | 22° / 11° | 24° / 19° | 23° / 13° |

**Temperature**
**Normals**
High: 25.7°
Low: 15.3°

**Records**
High: 35.6°/1963
Low: 8.3°/1943

Sunrise: 5:18 a.m.
Sunset: 8:54 p.m.
Moonrise: 2:19 a.m.
Moonset: 6:53 p.m.

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